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Honorable Joseph T. Kelliher, Chairman Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20246

Re: Devon Power LLC, Docket No. ER03-563-030

## Dear Chairman Kelliher:

The Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("MA DTE") appreciates the FERC holding oral arguments in this docket on September 20, 2005. We believe that working together to find a cost-effective, properly designed resource adequacy market, one that will spur investment in the type of new generation resources required to meet future reliability issues in New England, is paramount to the health of our electricity market and our economic development as a region. Towards that end, the MA DTE supports the appointment of a Settlement Judge as requested by NEPOOL and ISO-NE.

The MA DTE is committed to fully participating in the settlement process and will devote the resources necessary to work with all the sectors and the Settlement Judge in addressing each parties' issues. Thank you again for the opportunity to appear before you at the oral arguments and for the opportunity to further the discussions through a FERC-administered settlement proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,	
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